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1. DCM TALKED TODAY WITH HECTOR CABADA, ONE OF THE VERY FEW GOP OFFICIALS CONCERNED WITH LOS MATTERS NOW IN LIMA (MOST ARE IN NEW YORK). CABADA WAS ASKED WHY REGIONAL TUNA MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THIS WEEK HAD BEEN CANCELLED, AND HIS RESPONSE WAS IN TERMS THAT PERUVIAN EXPERTS IN TUNA AREA WERE NOT AVAILABLE TO GO TO THE PROJECTED NEW YORK MEETING. HE SAID HE UNDERSTANDS, HOWEVER, THAT TWO INSTITUTO DEL MAR EXPERTS WHO WERE TO GO TO THE NEW YORK MEETING MAY BE PROCEEDING THERE ABOUT MARCH 13 OR 15. THE TWO EXPERTS IN
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QUESTION ARE DR. ANTONIO LANDA AND DR. (IN BIOLOGY) JORGE

CZIRKE.

2. ALL OF EMBASSY'S REGULAR FONMINISTRY CONTACTS ON LOS MATTERS ARE OUT OF LIMA, AND AS FAR AS CABADA KNOWS ARE IN NEW YORK. THESE INCLUDE AMBASSADORS BAKULA AND ARIAS SCHREIBER, AND ALVARO SOTO (ARIAS SCHREIBER MAY BE IN NEW YORK EN ROUTE TO HIS NEW AMBASSADORIAL ASSIGNMENT IN GENEVA). CABADA SAID THAT THE REMAINING MEMBERS OF THE PERU LOS DELEGATION WILL BE LEAVING LIMA ON MARCH 14 OR 15 FOR NEW YORK.

3. COMMENT: THERE IS MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE TO THE EXCUSE GIVEN THAT THE ECUADOREAN AND PERUVIAN OFFICIALS WOULD BE UNABLE TO ATTEND REGIONAL TUNA MEETING "DUE TO SHORTAGES OF PERSONNEL." CERTAINLY THE EXCUSE GIVE TO MEXICAN GOVERNMENT ATTRIBUTING "SHORTAGE OF PERSONNEL" TO THE CURRENT U.N. MEETING ON TRANSNATIONAL ENTERPRISES (TNE) IN LIMA (MEXICO 3120) DOES NOT HOLD WATER, AT LEAST AS FAR AS PERUVIAN OFFICIALS ARE CONCERNED. EMBASSY KNOWS MOST OF THE LEADING PERUVIAN OFFICIALS CONCERNED WITH TNE CONFERENCE, AND NONE OF THE HAS ANYTHING TO DO WITH TUNA OR OTHER OLS PROBLEMS. WHILE IT IS EVIDENT THAT "SHORTAGES OF PERSONNEL" IS THE PARTY LINE, WE CANNOT ASCERTAIN WHAT REALLY IS BOTHERING THE PERUVIANS AND ECUADOREANS, AND SUGGEST THAT DEPARTMENT AND USUN MAY WISH TO TRY TO FERRET THIS OUT FROM THE SENIOR PERUVIAN LOS EXPERTS WHO ARE ALREADY IN NEW YORK.
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